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- 2) This statement is being filed within three months of the U. S. filing date of the present application.
- 3) In view of the waiver of the requirement (see 1273 OG 55, August 5, 2003), we are not enclosing a copy of the cited U. S. Patent (Reference AA).
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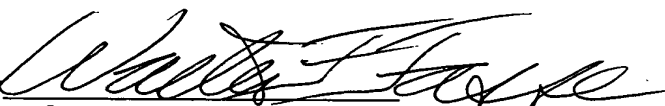
of Japanese patent application 2002-155124, which has been identified in the inventors' Declaration for the present U. S. application, as a related prior foreign application of which the priority is not claimed (due to expired priority period).

- 5) Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references of record, return an initialled copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and ensure that all references of record are printed on any patent issuing from this application.
- 6) Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1 to 11 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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